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- (a) In this part the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) (1) "Hotel" means an establishment that offers sleeping accommodations for compensation.
 - (2) "Hotel" includes:
 - (i) an apartment;
 - (ii) a cottage;
 - (iii) a hostelry;
 - (iv) an inn;
 - (v) a motel;
 - (vi) a rooming house; or
 - (vii) a tourist home.
 - (c) "Hotel rental tax" means the tax on a transient charge.
- (d) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraphs (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this paragraph, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 4 consecutive months.
- (ii) In Carroll County, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 25 days.
- (iii) In Frederick County, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 90 days.
- (iv) In Garrett County and Washington County, "transient charge" means a hotel charge for sleeping accommodations for a period not exceeding 30 days.
 - (2) "Transient charge" does not include any hotel charge for:

- (i) services; or
- (ii) accommodations other than sleeping accommodations.
- (e) "Western Maryland code county" means a code county in the Western Maryland class as established under \S 9–302 of this article.

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